IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

WILLIAM H. COOPER,)	Civil Action No. 06-366
JUDITH G. COOPER,)	
	Plaintiffs,)	
)	
vs.)	<u>ORDER</u>
)	
MERCK & CO., INC.)	
)	
	Defendant.)	
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This matter is before the Court on the Consent Motion of Plaintiffs William H. Cooper and Judith G. Cooper and Defendant Merck & Co., Inc. ("Merck") (collectively, the "Parties") to stay all proceedings in this action pending a transfer decision by the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation for transfer of this case to a single court for coordinated pre-trial management, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1407. This Court has reviewed the Parties' Consent Motion. For good cause shown, and in the interest of judicial economy, it is hereby

ORDERED that the Parties' Consent Motion to Stay All Proceedings Pending Transfer Decision by the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation is GRANTED, and this case is stayed pending a transfer decision by the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation. It is further

ORDERED that Merck shall be responsible for notifying the Court when a transfer decision has been made.

Signed: September 25, 2006

Graham C. Mullen

United States District Judge